

REMARKS

Support for new Claims 26-40, is found at page 9, lines 18-27 of the specification.

Accordingly, no new matter is incorporated by this amendment

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that the application is now in condition for examination on the merits.

Early notification of such action is earnestly solicited. Should the Examiner have any suggestions to place the application in even better condition for allowance, Applicants request that the Examiner contact the undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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